

DEPARTMENT OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS

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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 74-165

TO: All County Welfare Directors

SUBJECT: Department of Benefit Payments Regulations

REFERENCE:

A number of changes are occurring in the development of state regulations. Some of these are internal and will improve our ability to identify and resolve problem regulations. Other changes are designed to speed up the review process and shorten the time between the development of a draft regulation and bringing it to public hearing. Two changes which will have an immediate effect on counties are discussed below.

The outdated index in the Eligibility and Assistance Standards (EAS) manual has been a longstanding problem for users of this manual. We have recently developed a computerized indexing system which will resolve this problem. Shortly after September 30, 1974, and periodically thereafter, we will provide manual holders with an updated EAS manual index divided into major, intermediate and minor topic headings.

Counties have expressed the need for more time within which to analyze proposed regulations and provide written testimony. To provide counties with additional lead time we have made changes in public hearings scheduling and publication of legal notice. With the exception of regulations adopted on an emergency basis and other unusual situations, this will result in our legal notice and the public hearing agenda being mailed together about 30 days prior to the hearing date.

Public Hearing legal notices and the face sheet on public hearing agendas indicate that written testimony should be addressed to:

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